Badiyara-Maghara road in Shimla

†4074. SHRI ANIL SHARMA : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government had received any proposal in the year 2000 regarding construction of Badiyara-Maghara road which lies in District Shimla of Himachal Pradesh;

(b) whether it is also a fact that no action has been taken on it so far although the same was forwarded for appropriate action to the State Government by the Prime Minister's office; and

(c) whether Government propose to bring Badiyara-Maghara road under the Prime Minister's "Gram Sadak Yojana"?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU) : (a) to (c) State Government of Himachal Pradesh have reported receiving in November, 2000, a representation from the Gram Panchayat, Jangla for construction of Badiyara-Maghara road in Shimla District. They have reported that the road has been included in the District Rural Roads Plan of Shimla District under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.

Constitution of Monitoring Committees for rural development programmes

†4075. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the up-to-date details of the States that have not constituted monitoring committees at block, tehsil, district, circle and State levels so far for rural development programmes;

(b) whether Government will consider nominating members to the monitoring committees at the instance of the Members of Parliament;

(c) if so, by when, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to constitute monitoring committees in the State wherein those have not been constituted so far ?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU) : (a) As per the Guidelines issued by the Government of India, Vigilance & Monitoring Committees are to be set up at the Block, District and State levels. There is no provision for constituting monitoring committees at the tehsil and circle levels. The details of the States/UTs which have not constituted the committees at the block, district and State levels or at any of these levels are as follows :

(i) No information has yet been received regarding setting up of the State Level Committees in the newly formed States of Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand.

(ii) In Jammu & Kashmir, there is a system of District Development Board, which reviews Rural Development Schemes.

(iii) In Karnataka, Karnataka Development Programme Review Committee has been set up at the State, District and taluka levels, which perform similar function as that of Vigilance/Monitoring Committees.

(iv) In Uttaranchal, Vigilance and Monitoring Committees have not been formed at Block level.

(v) In Daman & Diu, Vigilance & Monitoring Committee have not been formed at District and Block levels.

(b) and (c) There is no such proposal under consideration. According to the Guidelines present MPs, and MLAs of the District are members of the Monitoring Committees at District and Block levels.

(d) The Government of India has been stressing time and again for setting up Vigilance and Monitoring Committees as per the Guidlines. As per informantion available, necessary orders have been issued by the State Government of Jammu & Kashmir for constitution of Vigilance and Monitoring Committees at District and Block levels.

Difference between Ministries over Annapurna Yojana

4076. MISS MABEL REBELLO : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any difference of opinion between the Ministries of Food and Rural Development over the Annapurna Yojana;